BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
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Michael L. Whalen; Whalen for)	MUR 5691
Congress and Kirk E. Whalen, in his)	
official capacity as treasurer; Iowa)	
Machine Shed Co.; Carmen Darland)	
(Heart of American Restaurants & Inns,)	
Inc.); Victory Enterprises, Inc.; Brian)	
Dumas (Victory Enterprises, Inc.); Steve)	
Grubbs (Victory Enterprises, Inc.))	

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on January 11, 2007, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in MUR 5691:

- Find no reason to believe that Whalen for Congress and Kirk E.
 Whalen, in his official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C.
 § 441b, by knowingly accepting a prohibited in-kind contribution in the form of a coordinated communication from the Iowa
 Machine Shed Co.
- 2. Find no reason to believe that Michael Whalen, Iowa Machine Shed Co., Carmen Darland, Brian Dumas, Steve Grubbs, and Victory Enterprises, Inc. violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b, by making a prohibited in-kind contribution in the form of a coordinated communication with Whalen for Congress.

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- 3. Approve the appropriate letters, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated January 5, 2007.
- 4. Close the file.

Commissioners Lenhard, Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and

Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

January 10, 2007

Mary W. Pove

Secretary of the Commission